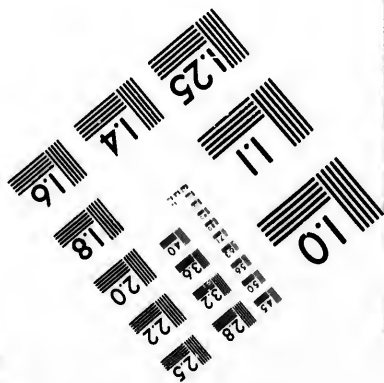
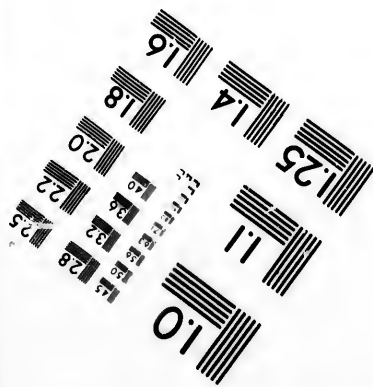
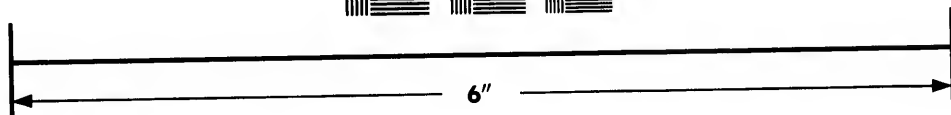
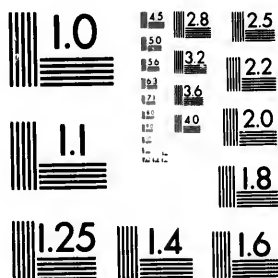


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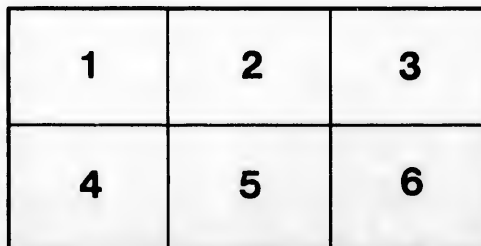
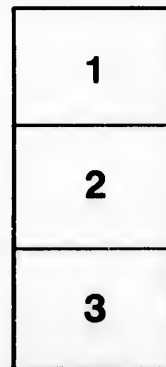
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OFFICERS.

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Secretary, - S. W. COOMBES.

Lecturer and Organizer, JOSEPH F. HESS.

All applications for Mr. Hess's services must be addressed to J. S. ROBERTSON, Chairman Gospel Temperance Platform Work, 48 Yonge Street Arcade, Toronto.

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## MEETINGS.

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Business and Literary meeting, every Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Gospel Temperance Meeting, Horticultural Pavilion, every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, during season October to May.—Strangers always welcome.

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Applications for membership can be presented at any meeting of the League, or be handed to any member, to be sent to the Secretary—S. W. Coombes, 29 Richmond St. West.

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# THE CANADIAN TEMPERANCE LEAGUE.

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## THE "WHY" OF THE LEAGUE'S EXISTENCE.

The Canadian Temperance League is in no sense a rival to any other temperance organization. Its promoters are those, who have been and are to-day active and loyal workers of existing organizations. In a measure, it serves as a federation of the other societies. It avoids breaking in on work done by the regular societies. In a speech delivered at a reception tendered by the League to Robert Rae, Esq., the veteran secretary of the National Temperance League of England, during his visit to this country in July of 1890, the speaker said, "that he always tried to strike out in work

that others were not doing. There was abundance of such work to do everywhere. There was plenty of it in Canada." The League acts on this principle. It takes up special phases of work — ground that is largely untilled. Especially has the League been impressed with the need in Canada at the present time for greater energy and more systematic work on gospel temperance lines, and it has and will continue to hammer very vigorously on these lines. The plan of work by committees, charged with extraordinary powers, is unique to this organization, and the volume and completeness of the work accomplished, during its first season's existence, has shewn the practicability of these methods.

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#### SOME THINGS THE LEAGUE HAS DONE.

The Canadian Temperance League was organized November 27th, 1889, with a

charter membership of twenty-three. By resolution the official year was made to close on the first Friday of May. If the statement is not too paradoxical, it is to be said, that the first year of the League covered six months, from November 1889 to May 1890. For five months of this period, Gospel Temperance meetings were held every Sunday afternoon in the Horticultural Pavilion, a building capable of seating 2,000 people. These meetings were an immense success, frequently standing room being at a premium. The speakers embraced the ablest available platform talent on the continent. Besides these weekly Gospel Temperance meetings, a month's temperance revival was held in the city, conducted by Joe Hess, the converted prize-fighter, followed a week later by a second campaign by P. A. Burdick. These meetings were instrumental in creating a marked awakening of temperance sentiment throughout the city, and pledge-

signers to the number of 2,207 were obtained. For four months, immediately following his city campaign, Joe Hess conducted, on behalf of the League, a series of Gospel Temperance meetings in leading towns of the province, which, if possible, were more successful than in the city. 5,000 pledge-signers were, as a result of these meetings, added to the roll. Mr. Hess has since been engaged by the League as lecturer and organizer for the period of a year. The League raised and expended during these five months in temperance revival work, \$4,000. Besides this larger work, members of the League gave much voluntary assistance at Gospel Temperance meetings, both in and out of the city.

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### THE COFFEE-HOUSE MOVEMENT.

This is a new and distinctive feature of the work undertaken by the League. The

aim is to locate such houses in sections of the city frequented by workingmen, and to supply them with a good cup of coffee for two cents, or a cup of coffee and sandwich for five cents. They are to be an offset to the tavern, and to provide a comfortable place where workingmen can meet and obtain refreshments, without any of the evil associations of a whiskey bar. The first coffee-house of the League was opened on New Year's night, 1890, in a building on corner Edward and Terauley Sts., a section of Toronto largely the homes of workingmen. Almost from the start it was a success, an average of one hundred and fifty customers being served daily. The work has grown so that at this writing the League has made application to Parliament for a charter under the Joint Stock Companies' Act, with a capital of \$25,000, to enable them to extend the movement, and it is expected that at an

early day several additional coffee-houses on the same lines will be opened in different parts of the city.

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CONSTITUTION  
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Temperance League

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ARTICLE I.

ORGANIZATION.

**SECTION 1.—Name.** This Organization shall be called the Canadian Temperance League.

**Sec. 2.—Object.** The object of this Association shall be to educate the people in the doctrine of total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for the State, and to promote the mental, moral and religious interests of the community, by the holding of public meetings on Gospel Temperance lines; the organization of the Children in

Temperance work ; establishing Coffee-Houses, Coffee-Stands, Lodging-Houses, Reading Rooms, and Circulating Libraries, and sustaining such measures as shall aid in securing these ends.

Sec. 3.—*Methods.* The work of the League shall be carried on largely through Special Committees, with an active and experienced worker as Chairman. These Committees, whilst expected to be interested in the general work of the League, are yet to give their close attention to the work of their own Committee. In a word, “to make a hobby,” of the one department allotted as theirs. The plan will be in the words of the great preacher, the Apostle Paul, “This one thing I do.”

## ARTICLE II.

### MEMBERSHIP.

Sec. 1.—*Active Members.* Any male person of 15 years and over, of good moral



character, shall be eligible for active membership in the Canadian Temperance League. Yearly fee one dollar payable in advance. Members admitted after the opening of the year will be charged on the basis of twenty-five cents a quarter. Active and Life Members only have the right to vote.

Sec. 2.—*Life Members.* Life Membership may be constituted by a donation of twenty-five dollars.

Sec. 3.—*Honorary Members.* Honorary Membership may be constituted by a donation of fifty dollars.

Sec. 4.—*Applications for Membership.* Applications for membership shall be made in writing, and must be endorsed by a member of the League in good standing. They should then be given to the Secretary, and presented to the League at its first regular meeting thereafter, and then placed in the hands of an Investigating Committee of three members to be appointed at said

meeting, who shall enquire concerning the character of the candidates proposed, and report in writing to the League at the next meeting, the names of those persons they recommend for election. A majority vote in open League shall be necessary to elect to membership. Any person who has paid the required fee and been duly elected may become a member by signing the roll of membership, which shall be in subscription to the following declaration :—

We, the undersigned, do hereby declare ourselves to be in harmony with the objects and methods of the Canadian Temperance League, and agree to be governed by its constitution and by-laws as long as we remain connected with it. We further agree and hereby affix our signatures to the following Total Abstinence pledge :—

I, the undersigned, do pledge my word and honor, God helping me, to abstain from all intoxicating drinks, wine, beer, and cider, and that I will by all honorable means induce others to abstain.

## ARTICLE III.

## OFFICERS.

The Officers of this League shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain and Chairman of the several Standing Committees of the League. They shall be elected yearly by ballot, without nomination, at the annual meeting of the League, and shall hold office for one year, and until their successors are elected. No member shall hold two offices at same time. Vacancies may be filled for the unexpired term at any regular meeting after the vacancy has been announced. Each officer upon the expiration of his official term shall transfer all property whatsoever of the League in his possession to his successor. Two auditors shall also be elected at the Annual Meeting.

## ARTICLE IV.

## MEETINGS.

*The Annual Meeting.* The Annual Meeting of the League shall be held on the first Friday in May of each year, when the election of officers, the reception of officers, and committee reports, and general business shall be transacted.

## ARTICLE V.

## BY-LAWS.

The League may from time to time enact any By-Laws, or adopt any order of procedure deemed necessary for the carrying out of its objects, or the transaction of its business.

## ARTICLE VI.

## AMENDMENTS.

The provisions of this Constitution as stated in Article I. Sec. 2, shall never be amended or annulled, and no amendment

to this Constitution shall be made which would allow the said provision to be annulled. In other respects this Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the active members present at any regular meeting of the League, providing such alteration or amendment shall have been proposed in writing at least one month previous, and provided that fifteen active members are present when each amendment offered is acted upon.

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# BY-LAWS.

## LAW I.

### DUTIES OF PRESIDENT.

It shall be the duty of the President, or in his absence the Vice-President, to preside at the Annual Meeting of the League, and at all business meetings of the League, decide all questions of order, subject to appeal to the League; give the casting vote, when the votes are equally divided; announce the results of all votes. He shall be *ex-officio* a member of all standing committees.

## LAW II.

### DUTIES OF SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall keep a record of the transactions of all meetings of the League, and notify all officers and committees of their election. At each meeting he shall read the minutes of the preceding meeting. He shall conduct the general correspondence, and by order of the proper officer, shall issue calls for meetings.

## LAW III.

## DUTIES OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

The Assistant Secretary shall see that each member records his name at each meeting in a roll book kept for that purpose. He shall assist the Secretary, and act as Secretary in his absence.

## LAW IV.

## DUTIES OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

The Financial Secretary shall receive all money paid into the League, keep an account thereof in a book for the purpose, and pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor. His books shall be held ready for the inspection of the Auditors at any time. He shall be required to execute a bond in such an amount as shall be satisfactory to the League.

## LAW V.

## DUTIES OF TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall receive all moneys for the League through the hands of the

Financial Secretary, and shall issue to him his receipt for the same. He shall pay out no money except upon the order of the League, or the written authority of the Chairman of any of the several Standing Committees. He shall deposit all sums received in some chartered bank to the credit of an account entered in the name of the Canadian Temperance League. He shall keep a book in which his receipts and disbursements shall be regularly entered. This book shall be held ready for the inspection of the Auditors at any time. He shall be required to execute a bond in such an amount as shall be satisfactory to the League. He shall present a written report at the first meeting of each month, duly audited.

#### LAW VI.

##### DUTY OF AUDITORS.

It shall be the duty of the Auditors to make a monthly examination of the books



of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer, and Standing Committees ; and present a report of same at the first business meeting of each month. They shall also audit the books of these officers and committees prior to the Annual Meeting and present a report on the same. Power is given them to make an inspection of the books of any officer at any time.

#### LAW VII.

##### QUORUM.

Seven members of the League—three of whom shall be officers—shall constitute a quorum for business.

#### LAW VIII.

##### STANDING COMMITTEES.

There shall be the following Committees of the League consisting of not less than three nor more than seven members each, who shall be elected by nomination and ballot at the annual meeting, except the chairman whose election is already provided

for. Three members shall constitute a quorum. No absent member shall be placed on a Committee without his consent.

List of Committees :—

1. Gospel Temperance and Platform work.

2. Coffee Houses, Coffee Stands, and Lodging Houses.

3. Juvenile Work.

4. Temperance Missionary Work.

5. Temperance Service of Song.

6. Temperance Education among members of the League.

7. Temperance Education among the people.

8. Temperance Literature.

9. Finance.

### LAW IX.

#### DUTIES AND POWERS OF COMMITTEES.

Standing Committees shall submit all plans of work for the approval of the League, whenever practicable. In cases of emer-

gency, however, a Committee shall have authority to act as the exigencies of the occasion may demand. In extraordinary cases, where the Committee could not be convened, the Chairman shall have power to act. On the first regular meeting of each month the Chairman shall present a written report setting forth fully the work accomplished during the month.

#### LAW X.

##### GOSPEL TEMPERANCE PLATFORM WORK.

This Committee shall have full charge of the Gospel Temperance Platform Work of the League, embracing the holding of public meetings of whatever class on these lines in or out of the City ; to render all possible assistance to individuals and societies in Gospel Temperance Platform work. It shall be necessary for this Committee to elect from its members a financial secretary, who in conjunction with the Financial Secretary of

the League (or in his absence, a member of the Committee appointed for the occasion by the Chairman), shall count all moneys received at public meetings of the League, held under control of this Committee, and keep a correct record of the same, taking from the League Financial Secretary a receipt for the money so paid to him.

#### LAW XI.

##### COFFEE HOUSES, COFFEE STANDS AND LODGING HOUSES.

This Committee shall have full charge of this particular department of League work, which shall embrace the establishment of coffee houses, coffee stands, and lodging houses in the city. The officers of the Committee shall consist of a chairman, secretary, and financial secretary. The financial secretary shall take charge of all moneys received by the Committee, and pay the same over to the Financial Secretary of the League, taking his receipt therefor.

## LAW XII.

## JUVENILE WORK.

This Committee shall employ all legitimate and honorable means to educate the children of our land in the principles of total abstinence from intoxicating liquors and tobacco, and freedom from the use of profane and filthy language. To this end they shall have power to establish Bands of Hope, Boys' Brigades, and such like organizations as shall commend themselves to the judgment of the Committee. They shall have all needed power to make arrangements for the holding of meetings and the carrying out of the work in its various phases.

## LAW XIII.

## TEMPERANCE MISSIONARY WORK.

This Committee shall look after those who are unfortunately addicted to and sufferers from the use of intoxicating liquors ; to visit

them at their homes ; to influence them to sign the pledge, and having done so, to exercise a Christian, brotherly interest in their future welfare ; to take special care to follow up and meet those who have signed the pledge at our Gospel Temperance Meetings. This Committee shall also be a visiting Committee to visit members of the League when sick or in distress or absent from the meetings of the League for a noticeable length of time.

#### LAW XIV.

##### TEMPERANCE SERVICE OF SONG.

This Committee shall use their best endeavours to give effect to the Gospel Temperance work of the League by means of a well organized Service of Song, and kindred methods. They shall also be expected to plan for the holding of musical entertainments for the benefit of the League.

## LAW XV.

## TEMPERANCE EDUCATION AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE LEAGUE.

This Committee shall be expected to organize a League Literary Society for the discussion among the members of temperance and cognate topics, to establish a Reading Room and Library and otherwise extend the work of mutual improvement among the membership.

## LAW XVI.

## TEMPERANCE EDUCATION AMONG THE PEOPLE.

This Committee shall adopt means for the greater spread of temperance teachings in our churches, Young People's Associations, Sabbath Schools, Public Schools, Colleges, and kindred institutions.

## LAW XVII.

## TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

"Sow the country knee deep with temperance literature," said Hon. Neal Dow.

“This is how we carried prohibition in Maine.” To do this will be the work of the Committee. They shall be expected to secure the influence of the press to aid in the spreading of the teachings of total abstinence and prohibition. At the various public meetings of the League they shall be expected to arrange for a thorough distribution of temperance tracts and literature. They shall provide the Missionary Committee with a sufficient supply of such literature to be used by them in their visits among the people of the various divisions of the city, and to generally suggest and push into execution plans for extending the principles of the League through the medium of the printed page. The Committee shall from time to time present a statement of the estimated cost of this work and in the carrying out of their plans shall be guided by the amount of the grant made for this purpose by the League.



## LAW XVIII.

## FINANCE.

The duties of the Finance Committee shall be to examine such bills and accounts presented to the League for payment as do not come under the jurisdiction of any of the regular standing committees, and to undertake whatever other work, in the interests of the finances of the League, that shall at any time be referred to them.

## LAW XIX.

## SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special Meetings of the League for the transaction of business may be called by the President at the written request of three members of any of the Standing Committees, always provided that an advertisement calling the same be inserted in one daily paper, or a written or printed notice be sent to each member at least twenty-four hours before the time of such meeting.

## LAW XX.

## MEETINGS.

The regular meetings of the League shall be held on Friday evening of every week, except during July and August, when meetings shall be held on 2nd and 4th Fridays of these months. The first meeting of each month shall be set apart for the reception and discussion of the reports of the several officers and committees. The hour of meeting shall be 8 p.m., and the League shall close punctually at 10 o'clock, unless a majority of the members present vote the contrary.

## LAW XXI.

## DECLARING AN OFFICE VACANT.

No member shall be allowed to vote at the Annual Meeting unless his membership fee be paid at the date of said Annual Meeting. In case of any Officer absent from three consecutive regular meetings of the League

or a member of any Standing Committee absent from three consecutive meetings of his Committee, without giving satisfactory reason for such absence, the office shall be declared vacant.

### LAW XXII.

#### DISCIPLINE.

In case of misconduct of any member, or neglect of duty of an officer, a majority of the League present at the first regular meeting of any month, may declare the office of such offender vacant, reprove or expel such member. A violation of the total abstinence pledge of this League shall be considered a gross case of misconduct.

### LAW XXIII.

#### CHANGE OF RESIDENCE.

It shall be the duty of each member to notify the Secretary of any change in his address, as notices issued by this League to the address which appears on the roll book shall be valid notice.

## LAW XXIV.

## SUSPENSION OF BY-LAWS.

Any of the foregoing By-Laws may be suspended by two-third vote; but such suspension shall cease when the object for which it is made shall have been attained.

## LAW XXV.

## ARREARS OF DUES.

The name of any person one year in arrears for annual dues shall be erased from the list of the League, provided that two notices of indebtedness, at an interval of at least three months, shall have been given; and no such person shall be restored until he has paid his arrearages or has been re-elected.

## LAW XXVI.

## AMENDMENTS OF BY-LAWS.

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-third vote of the members present at

any regular meeting, notice having been given at a previous regular meeting, of the proposed amendment, and provided the same, together with the name of the member proposing, has been regularly entered on the minutes. Notice of the same to be specified in the call for the meeting at which it is proposed to take action thereon.

## LAW XXVII.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The order of exercises at the regular weekly meetings of the League shall be as follows:—

1. Meeting called to order
2. Devotional exercises.
3. Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting.
4. Application for membership.
5. Election of new members.
6. Admission and introduction of new members to the League.

7. Reports of Special Committees.
8. Report of Treasurer.
9. Reports of Standing Committees.
10. Reading of Correspondence.
11. Unfinished Business.
12. General Business.
13. Literary Programme.
14. Receipts of the evening.
15. Closing Exercises.

#### RULES OF ORDER.

This League shall be governed in the conduct of its meetings by regular parliamentary usage.

## NUGGETS.

From speech Robt. Rae, Esq., Secretary National Temperance League of London, Eng., delivered before Canadian Temperance League, Toronto, July 25th, 1890.

He saw no reason to criticise the constitution and rules of the Canadian League, which he had carefully examined; indeed, if the rules were carried out, the organization would do an immense amount of good.

Too little attention has been paid on both sides of the ocean to individual work, and to the adoption of means calculated to ripen the fruit; there was too much inclination to pluck it while green.

He was pleased to observe that one phase of the League's work here was the training of the members themselves.

The way they got money in England was, first to give some themselves, and then invite others to give.

He believed that if the work were undertaken earnestly money would come in spontaneously.

The people must be taught that investment in temperance work pays.

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